Ways & Means Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: December 10, 2014 – 4:50 PM

LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB

PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman

LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Donald J. Quesnell

PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney,

Provenzano, Rodriguez

ABSENT: Legislator Briggs

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Archer, Gregorius, Wishnick, Legislative Counsel

Ragucci, Guerin County Attorneys Jonathan Engel and Sue Plonski, Deputy County Executive Kenneth Crannell, Deputy Comptroller Joe Eriole, Sylvia Wohlfahrt Information Services, Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick, Deputy Commissioner of Finance C.J. Rioux, Sheriff Van Blarcum, Lt. P. Soule, Deputy Sheriff Becker, Teresa Pleva, Clerk of the Legislature Victoria A.

Fabella, Patricia Doxsey of the Daily Freeman

• Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM

Motion No. 1: Resolution No. 453 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 453 - Establishing A Policy

For The Attendance Of Conferences And Educational Training By

Officers And Employees Of Ulster County

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution - amendment was

made to add additional text to resolution as listed in bold.

Motion to Amend Made By:Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Amendment Carried

Discussion:

Legislator Bartels verified that it is just a dollar amount now and no distance requirement. She asked if months out Ken Crannell was made aware of conferences. He stated yes usually 2 months in advance. Legislator Gerentine stated they excluded the executive and legislative branch. Ken Crannell spoke about the finance department regarding conferences. Legislator Gerentine stated that we are not trying to prohibit travel we just want a handle on the finances. Deputy Comptroller Joe Eriole stated that he wanted to make clear that this policy excludes the executive branch and all the units under it. There was a brief disagreement on this in which it was decided this does not apply to the units under the executive branch. Joe Eriole wanted to know why it didn't apply to the entire government. Legislator Gerentine said there was a disagreement as to what the Executive Branch actually consisted of. Joe Eriole went over the process and explained all officials currently go through the same process as all other departments. Legislator Bartels asked what the disagreement was between the attorneys. Legislator Gerentine said it was in regards to whether the Legislator had total control over the finances for travel in regards to policy making. Legislator Belfiglio asked if it was just elected officials they would have oversight over then. It was stated this was correct. Sheriff Van Blarcum said he didn't feel it was fair that all the offices were not going to be treated the same. He went on to explain his office's proceedings in regards to travel. Legislator Gerentine said that we are not trying to prohibit travel. Legislator Gerentine said he also feels that there will be more policies coming out of the legislator in the next 6 months. Erica Guerin wanted to clarify that this is solely for educational purposes. Legislator Rodriguez wanted to thank everyone for bringing this forward. Legislator Wishnick asked if there was insight into modification regarding treating in state and out of state differently. Legislator Gerentine stated using a dollar amount he felt gave ample amount of flexibility.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0Disposition:Carried

Motion No. 2: Resolution No. 455 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 455 - Authorizing

Distribution Of Mortgage Tax Receipts Pursuant To Section 261

Of The Tax Law

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0Disposition:Carried

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Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 455 - Authorizing

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Of The Tax Law

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:
No. of Votes in Favor:
No. of Votes Against

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Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3: Resolution No. 456 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 456 - Adopting Proposed

Local Law No. 11 of 2014, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 10 Of 2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Provide Status

Of Contract Negotiations

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: Resolution No.459 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 459 - Authorizing And

Directing Charges Against The City Of Kingston For Home Relief

Costs

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Rodriguez

Voting Against: Legislator Provenzano

No. of Votes in Favor: 6 No. of Votes Against 1

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5: Resolution No. 460 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 460 - Authorizing The

Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Amendment To An Agreement With The Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services For Internet Procurement

Services – Department Of Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:
No. of Votes in Favor:
No. of Votes Against

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Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6: Resolution No.461 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 461 - Authorizing The

Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Transportation To Accept New York State Funds For Public Transit Service Between Ulster And Dutchess County (LINK) – Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Maio asked if the verbiage of the resolution has

changed. Vicky Fabella clarified and stated she was right.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0Disposition:Carried

Motion No. 7: Resolution No. 463 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 463 - Authorizing The

Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services For Day Care Registration And Inspection

Program Funding – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 8: Resolution No. 464 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 464 - Amending The 2015

Ulster County Budget To Accept A New York University School

Of Medicine Grant – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 9: Resolution No.467 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 467 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Occupations, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Erica Guerin said this was for the mobile crisis unit. Ken spoke

and gave an explanation of the program. Legislator Bartels asked if a report would be given on the program. Ken Crannell said he

would be happy to give one.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:
No. of Votes in Favor:
No. of Votes Against

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Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 10: Resolution No. 468 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 468 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – NYU School Of Medicine –

Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 11: Resolution No. 469 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 469 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – St. Catherine's Center For Children – Department

Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 12: Resolution No. 470 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 470 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Prestige Services, Inc. – Office for

the Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez quoted that the state funding is trending

downward on these.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 13: Resolution No.471 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 471 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Aramark – Ulster County Sheriff

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked the Sheriff if in the backup document that

if we were advertising for the position of the employee who left.

The sheriff explained the process.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:
No. of Votes in Favor:
No. of Votes Against

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Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 14: Resolution No. 472 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 472 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Motorola Solutions – Emergency

Management

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked if the repair was due to normal use. It was

explained it was

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Postponed until the 12/17/14 meeting of W&M's

Motion No. 15: Resolution No. 473 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 473 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Suburban Restoration Co., Inc. –

Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No.16: Resolution No.474 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 474 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – IBM Corporation – Information

Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio had a conversation regarding the email system

and how they are looking for a cloud solution. He said they need the contract for another year so they can get the cost savings in the

future.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:
No. of Votes in Favor:
No. of Votes Against

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Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 17: Resolution No. 475 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 475 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – SunGard Public Sector –

Information Services

Motion Made By:Legislator BelfiglioMotion Seconded By:Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio spoke regarding that payroll not being on the

finance system. Burt Gulnick explained why he didn't include it at first and went on to explain he plans on including it in the future.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0Disposition:Carried

Motion No. 18: Resolution No. 476 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 476 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Tyler Technologies, Inc.–

Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio asked about this contract. Burt said this is in

regards to HTE, the old finance system, and how we need to

maintain the records for an audit this year.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0Disposition:Carried

Motion No. 19: Resolution No.477 – December 10, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 477 - Approving The

Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – NTS Data Services LLC – Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked if this went out for an RFP. Sylvia said it

was a continuation of their existing system and it was originally a 5 year contract. Legislator Rodriguez what we were getting for the money. Sylvia gave a brief description of the services and data

provided.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano,

Rodriguez

Voting Against:NoneNo. of Votes in Favor:7No. of Votes Against0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 20: Approving the Minutes of November 12, 2014 November 17,

2014 and November 18, 2014.

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve the Minutes of November 12, 2014

November 17, 2014 and November 18, 2014.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: November 12, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio,

Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano

November 17, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio,

Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano

November 18, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio,

Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: November 11, 2014 Minutes – 7

November 17, 2014 Minutes – 7 November 18, 2014 Minutes - 7

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

New Business

• Joe Eriole spoke in regards to the 3rd Quarter Comptroller's report. He stated he wants to start new and get passed what happened. Legislator Provenzano said what was brought up in regards to the bank reconciliations last night should come before ways and means. Joe Eriole said on the 3rd Quarter report the finance department picked out some error's on one of their analysis' and he hopes to work together to fix it, in addition they will be releasing a corrected report. Ken Crannell thanked Joe for his statement and it is all of our interest to preserve the counties' financial records. Legislator Wishnick stated he looked forward to the Comptroller's office standing side by side with the head of an agency when the report is released. Joe Eriole said he appreciates the legislature being on record saying they appreciate that relationship.

Old Business

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Maio,

seconded by Legislator Provenzano and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Dated the 15th day of December, 2014 Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst Minutes Approved On: February 11, 2015